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11th Plenary Meeting of 8th Central Committee of Workers' Party of Korea Held

The 11th Plenary Meeting of the 8th Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea was held from December 23 to 27, 2024 to review the remarkable achievements made in 2024 and decide on the development orientation of the Party and state affairs and policies for them in 2025, which will constitute another watershed in the history of the growth and development of the Party and the DPRK.

Important agenda items including "On the review of the implementation of the policies of the Party and the state in 2024 and the orientation of struggle in 2025", "On the new regional development policy of the Party and its future tasks" and "On the enforcement of a series of measures for strengthening the educational foundation of the country" were discussed at the plenary meeting.

In the discussion about the first agenda, the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un made a programmatic concluding speech on the successes made in implementing the policies of the Party and the state and the orientation of struggle in 2025. Kim Jong Un set it as the general orientation of the work for 2025 to successfully complete the five-year plan and push forward with the preparations for the next stage of development in a substantial way, and clarified the policy-oriented tasks for its implementation.

Concluding his speech, Kim Jong Un ardently called on all the participants in the meeting to remain true to their heavy duty and responsibility they have assumed for the times and revolution and the

country and people, and wage a bolder struggle with higher confidence in the vanguard of the general offensive for a great victory and glory in 2025.

The plenary meeting discussed the third agenda item “On the new regional development policy of the Party and its future tasks” following the discussion of the second agenda item.

Stressing the successes made in the efforts to implement the Regional Development 20×10 Policy, which the Party regards as a crucial political issue and the supreme task for fulfilling its cherished desire and is dynamically pushing forward as the revolutionary task of top priority, Kim Jong Un proposed to the plenary meeting to formally include the construction of advanced public health facilities, scientific, educational and leisure facilities and grain management facilities in parallel with that of regional-industry factories in the Party’s new regional development policy.

The fourth agenda item “On the enforcement of a series of measures for strengthening the educational foundations of the country” was discussed at the plenary meeting.

Affirming in the concluding speech on the fourth agenda item that the Party will always place education above all else, prioritize it, further arouse public interest in it and keep increasing state support for and investment in it, as the scale of creation and transformation are expanded and revolutionary tasks become enormous, Kim Jong Un clearly indicated the immediate, medium- and long- range tasks to be fulfilled in order to consolidate the foundations for education of the country.

The plenary meeting had two-day panel study and consultative meetings to work out a thoroughgoing and correct plan for

implementing the fighting tasks for 2025 on the basis of the ideas and spirit of the instructions given by General Secretary Kim Jong Un of the WPK during the discussion of the agenda items and his concluding speeches.

The 24th Meeting of the Political Bureau of the 8th Central Committee of the WPK was convened on December 27.

The Political Bureau decided to examine the proposals put together at the panel study and consultative meetings and amend and supplement the draft decisions before submitting them to the plenary meeting.

The plenary meeting adopted with unanimous approval the decisions "On carrying out the tasks for 2025 of the five-year plan set forth at the 8th Party Congress", "On hastening the comprehensive rejuvenation of the state by vigorously pushing ahead with the implementation of the new regional development strategy" and "On taking a series of measures for strengthening the educational foundations of the country".

Kim Jong Un concluded the plenary meeting.

Saying that next year is a significant year marking the 80th founding anniversary of the Party and at the same time the year for the 8th Party Central Committee to review its work before the times and the people, he pointed to the need to make 2025, the last year of its term, a historical watershed which occupies the most brilliant position in the history of leadership of the Party with extraordinary wisdom, courage, responsible efforts and strenuous exertion transcending the four years of pioneering and leap forward.

Kim Jong Un ardently called upon the entire Party, the whole country and all the people to turn out in the sacred patriotic struggle for

the comprehensive rejuvenation and development of the great state and achieve miraculous successes, thus greeting with honour the 9th Party Congress as a glorious meeting of victors.

The 11th Plenary Meeting of the 8th Central Committee of the WPK served as a significant occasion as it boosted optimism about the prospects and potentials of the DPRK's cause of socialism vigorously advancing with the most just ideal and lofty ambition and added a great spur to the historic advance for resolutely hastening an era of comprehensive prosperity of the DPRK by dint of the irresistible force of self-respect and self-reliance.

Inauguration Ceremony of Sinpho City Offshore Farm Held with Splendour

An inauguration ceremony of the Sinpho City Offshore Farm took place with splendour on December 28, 2024 in South Hamgyong Province of the DPRK.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attended the inauguration ceremony. Making a significant speech at the ceremony, Kim Jong Un said that the most precious income gained through the inauguration of the Sinpho City Offshore Farm is that the Sinpho people came to have a keen interest in the offshore farming which will renew the structure of the DPRK's fishing industry and grasped the best method by dint of science, and it is important for everyone to fully realize that the key to self-reliance and self-sustenance is in themselves, rather than talking about it in words, and put it into practice.

Saying that they are faced with fighting tasks greater and more gigantic than the undertakings they have done, Kim Jong Un said that

the officials, technicians and employees of the Sinpho City Offshore Farm should revitalize offshore aquaculture by drawing on the good experience gained in the first year's sea farming, continue to play the vanguard role in transforming the structure of the fishing industry on this basis and carry on business management methodologically so as to powerfully guarantee the development of the regional economy.

Saying that the DPRK people's ideals, courage, strenuous efforts and creation will certainly bring them prouder assets, Kim Jong Un sincerely hoped that Sinpho City would thrive and become literally a "rich city" in the era of regional transformation and prosperity and thus bring pleasure and happiness to the people in the city.

After cutting the inauguration tape, Kim Jong Un learned in detail about the management and operation of the farm and processing of seafood while going round different places of the farm, including the scallop processing workshop and ultra-quick freezing, general control and sample rooms.

Noting that to keep expanding successes on the basis of the precious experience gained in the construction of the Sinpho City Offshore Farm is of great significance in dynamically accomplishing the historic cause of regional development into which the WPK channels the greatest effort unprecedented in history, Kim Jong Un gave precious instructions for all cities and counties to put their regional economy on a firm basis of development in the way of making good use of seas in the coastal areas and mountains in the mountainous areas and revitalizing tourism in the places with tourist resources.

Groundbreaking Ceremony of Ragwon County Offshore Farm Held with Splendour

A groundbreaking ceremony of the Ragwon County Offshore Farm took place in South Hamgyong Province of the DPRK on February 14, 2025.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attended the ceremony.

Kim Jong Un said that the construction of the second modern offshore farming base would start today after the first of its kind in the city of Sinpho under the WPK's policy on effectively exploiting and utilizing the regional natural and economic resources. After deciding the construction of the Ragwon County Offshore Farm at the 11th Plenary Meeting of the 8th Central Committee of the WPK, the Party Central Committee had a lot of issues including the designation of its appropriate place and its architectural design discussed and examined since the outset of the year and relevant measures taken to this end, he said, adding that this site was the one he had chosen personally. This place is free from unfavourable marine meteorological effects and convenient for building a wharf and breakwater as it is enclosed by land on three sides and it is very close to the offshore farming ground, rich in aquatic animal and plant resources and superior in the aspect of marine ecological environment and, therefore, it is the most suitable site for building the farm, he noted. He said with pleasure that he would present the most beautiful fishing village in the world to Ragwon County by building a modern offshore farm in the area and even flats sustaining the characteristics of the coastal area, and that it would be a good idea to call the fishing village *Ragwonpho* (Port of Paradise) in the future.

Kim Jong Un said that the inauguration ceremonies of regional-industry factories have been held with splendour in the areas of one-tenth of the country's territory almost every day for more than one month from the end of last year as a proud fruition of the one-year struggle for implementing the Party's regional development policy by adding that this proves that the scope of the DPRK people's struggle has remarkably expanded and a powerful motive force, capable of advancing their cause, has been created.

Saying that aquaculture in the DPRK is a sphere of resources development, whose profitability and prospective nature have already been proved, and a sure guarantee for the development of cities and counties located in the coastal areas, Kim Jong Un indicated the orientation and ways for the coastal cities and counties to effectively exploit and utilize marine resources on the basis of a scientific study and analysis of the natural and geographical conditions and marine ecological environment.

Kim Jong Un dug the first spadeful of earth in celebration of the ceremony.

The groundbreaking ceremony of a modern offshore farm and fishing village, held with splendour in Ragwon County, serves as a significant occasion for demonstrating once again the steadfast will of the Party to turn all the cities and counties across the country into highly-civilized and rich places, self-supporting and developed in a diverse way and good to live in, and the spirit and stamina of the DPRK that is making a steady leap forward towards a prosperous future with ennobling ideals and a grand ambition.

Groundbreaking Ceremony for Fourth-stage Project to Build 10 000 Flats in Hwasong Area Took Place with Splendour

A groundbreaking ceremony for the fourth-stage project to build 10 000 flats in the Hwasong area took place with splendour in Pyongyang, the capital of the DPRK on February 16, 2025.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attended the ceremony and made a significant speech.

Explaining the significance of holding another groundbreaking ceremony for the new year's project to build 10 000 flats, just as the DPRK did without fail over the past four years, Kim Jong Un extended warm thanks and militant greetings to all the builders who are taking a vigorous step forward to attain more ambitious goals with the dignity and pride in having performed brilliant exploits in the worthwhile construction work.

After clarifying the great role of construction in the course of the struggle to move from a revolution to a more gigantic one and from a stage of development to a higher level of transformation, Kim Jong Un declared his intention to have the capital city construction continued until all conditions are provided for its citizens to lead a civilized and happy life without any inconvenience, and introduced an immediate construction plan for expanding the capital city.

Expressing belief that the fourth-stage construction project in the Hwasong area will surely bear good fruit and thus make the area more famous not only as a cradle of the happy and civilized life of the people but as a land of history, which tells new miraculous tales of indomitable socialist Korea, Kim Jong Un ardently called for turning

out more courageously in the great struggle for the great appearance and eternal prosperity of the capital city, for the civilization of the state and for the happy life of the DPRK people.

Kim Jong Un pressed the button for blasting to herald the start of the project for building 10 000 flats at the fourth stage in the Hwasong area.

Fireworks were set off one after another to declare the start of a new advance as the loud sound of blasting shook the sky and the land.

It was the stirring explosion heralding that the construction of 50 000 flats in Pyongyang City decided by the 8th Congress of the WPK to turn the capital city Pyongyang into the world city thoroughly embodying the people-first principle in the new era of comprehensive development towards the highest ideal of rich, civilized and powerful country, has entered the final phase.

Inauguration Ceremony of 10 000 Flats at Third Stage in Hwasong Area Took Place with Splendour

The inauguration ceremony of 10 000 flats at the third stage in the Hwasong area took place with splendour in Pyongyang, the capital of the DPRK on April 15, 2025.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attended the ceremony, cut the inauguration tape and met the working people and the elderly who would move into new flats.

Kim Jong Un said that he was sorry to provide the modern apartment houses only then and that he was firmly determined to take upon himself more tasks for the people while seeing the citizens full of emotion and joy that day. And he wished them happy life in good

health in the new houses.

Kim Jong Un met and encouraged military and civilian labour innovators who are making a great contribution to the construction of 50 000 flats in Pyongyang, true to the WPK's policy on the capital city construction.

The completion of the 10 000 flats at the third stage in the Hwasong area is a great demonstration of the true picture unique to the DPRK, a prosperous and powerful state, which has been created by the outstanding leadership of the great Party Central Committee guiding socialist Korea to the peak of prosperity and the patriotic strength of its people closely rallied around the Party with a single mind, and a great encouraging event that has further enlivened the spirit of all-people advance towards the 80th founding anniversary of the WPK and the 9th Party Congress with redoubled fighting spirit and confidence.

First Year Task of Regional Development 20×10 Policy Put forward by Workers' Party of Korea Completed with Success

First entities of regional rejuvenation were erected wonderfully in every part of the DPRK demonstrating the spirit of dynamic advance and promising future of socialist Korea which opens a new page of the comprehensive national prosperity, desired by the people, with confidence under the guidance of the great Workers' Party of Korea.

The great Party Central Committee, who struggles with the people-first principle as the supreme programme and invariable principle, clarified grand policy of regional development, that is, the nationwide simultaneous, balanced and rapid development for the first

time in history of the WPK and in the course of development of the Republic, and leads the unprecedented revolution towards brilliant success and victory.

The entire DPRK people and the Korean People's Army men and officers, who are possessed of the conviction that the Party's lines and policies are absolute truth, science and victory as their mental qualities, made strenuous and heroic struggle to implement the Party's Regional Development 20×10 Policy and built modern regional-industry factories and new standard offshore farming base, which suit to regional peculiarities of 20 cities and counties, into the creations befitting the high level of idea, national strength and civilization of the present times.

Regional-industry factories were built in Songchon County, Jaeryong County, Sukchon County, Unpha County, Kyongsong County, Unchon County, Yontan County, Hamju County, Onchon County, Kujang County, Usi County, Kosan County, Kusong City, Orang County, Jangphung County, Kumya County, Tongsin County, Unsan County, Ichon County and Kim Hyong Jik County and the construction of the Sinpho City Offshore Farm was completed with success.

The successes which are of weighty significance in the first page of history of regional development in the new era are proud fruition born by the leadership of the great Party Central Committee who makes devoted service for the people's wellbeing while believing in them as in Heaven by setting the rapid regional development as a historic task to be shouldered bravely however challenging it is and bringing earlier with confidence the highly-civilized and prosperous future when the people's dreams and ideals are fully realized, and by the might of loyalty and patriotism and inevitability of single-hearted unity of the

people and the People's Army men and officers who implement the Party's plans and decisions with unconditional and perfect practice.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un said that the prerequisite task the Party and the government should place particular importance on and push ahead with strongly is to implement the regional development policy in the new era in an unconditional and perfect way.

Kim Jong Un, who has always given his whole mind to providing the regional people with affluent and cultured life, elucidated the plan to open up a new era of regional development at the 1st Short Course for Chief Secretaries of the City and County Party Committees, formulated policy orientation on the road of devotion and painstaking efforts and advanced the great revolutionary strategy of completely remodelling regional-industry factories on the basis of confirming possibilities of developing material and cultural life of all cities and counties throughout the country.

The Regional Development 20×10 Policy put forward at the 10th Session of the 14th Supreme People's Assembly held on January 15, 2024 is a line of gigantic change and revolution that Kim Jong Un chose timely and boldly and decided in order to eliminate the century-old backwardness of regions, realize the long-cherished desire of regional people and bring about a turn in the realm of the DPRK people's understanding.

The 19th Enlarged Meeting of the Political Bureau of the 8th Central Committee of the WPK solemnly declared the measures and policy to thoroughly implement the most revolutionary, popular and original Regional Development 20×10 Policy that reflects Kim Jong Un's ardent spirit of serving the people and resolute will of the great revolutionary.

At the enlarged meeting, Kim Jong Un took measures of the Party and the state to supply funds, manpower and materials needed in the construction and clarified in detail the rational and feasible proposals and innovative and development-oriented options including the issue of properly setting up the scope of regional-industry factories and their production capacity, the issue of training technicians and skilled workers necessary for the operation of factories in a far-sighted way and the issue of building up bases for raw materials.

Non-permanent committees for promoting the Regional Development 20×10 Policy were organized in the capital city and provinces so as to establish well-organized Party-wide and nationwide guidance system for the thoroughgoing and perfect implementation of the regional development strategy. Powerful building forces of the Korean People's Army were formed and promptly went into the construction and the regional development policy was unfolded as the top-priority undertaking of all provinces, cities and counties and the relevant units.

Continuing long journey of devotion and labour, Kim Jong Un energetically led the first year advance of implementing the regional development policy.

Giving field guidance to Kimhwa County in February 2024, Kim Jong Un saw that the architectural style and the level of modernization of the regional-industry factories to be built newly were set higher than those in Kimhwa County, and advanced principled requirements and important tasks to be observed in building regional-industry factories.

When he attended the groundbreaking ceremony for construction of regional-industry factories in Songchon County, Kim Jong Un handed

over the regimental colours to the 124th regiments of the Korean People's Army, which were newly formed to implement the Regional Development 20×10 Policy and declared before the world the start of gigantic regional development revolution. It was a significant event that gave the firm confidence in the rosy future to the ranks of general march vigorously opening up a new phase of national rejuvenation in unity based on patriotism.

Cherishing the great will that the desire of the regional people is the desire of the Party, the development of regional industry is the development of the regions and the development of the regions is the overall prosperity and growth of the state, Kim Jong Un led in van the successful implementation of the gigantic revolutionary cause while constantly expanding and deepening the regional development policy for improving the wellbeing of the people.

In order to provide substantial guarantee of the regional-industry revolution, Kim Jong Un clarified orientation and ways for positively promoting and developing offshore fish-farming and aquaculture in conformity with natural and geographical features of the country with long coastlines and gave the WPK Central Committee a special order to take direct charge of and push forward with the work for setting an example to be followed by all coastal cities and counties to promote their independent development by developing and making the most effective use of marine resources.

Under his energetic leadership, Sinpho City of South Hamgyong Province, a typical coastal city with a small area under cultivation compared to its population, was set as a model for shallow-sea culture and the issue of building the Sinpho City Offshore Farm into a new fine model for shallow-sea culture was adopted as the Party's decision at the

10th Plenary Meeting of the 8th Central Committee of the WPK.

The consultative meeting on regional economic development held on the coast of Sinpho City was recorded in history as a crucial watershed that set up an epochal milestone for the regional economic development of the DPRK style and as today's "Changsong Joint Conference" that instilled into the people stronger confidence in the creation of a new life and happiness.

Kim Jong Un energetically led huge construction work while visiting the construction sites of regional-industry factories in South and North Phyongan Provinces, South Hamgyong Province and South Hwanghae Province several times as a designer, operator and owner of construction. There was no end to Kim Jong Un's devotion and labours.

Kim Jong Un's historic field guidance to construction sites of regional-industry factories in Kusong City, Hamju, Kujang and Jaeryong Counties served as the momentous occasions in the efforts to ensure high quality in construction as required by modernization and standardization and build the factories perfectly as entities directly showing the DPRK-style civilization and development, as symbols of the era.

When the huge work was launched in real earnest to rebuild the regional economy on a completely new and advanced basis, the Party Central Committee took another important measure.

In the important speeches he made at the consultative meeting for regional development project and on the occasion of the DPRK founding anniversary, Kim Jong Un advanced new policy orientation of accelerating the historic cause of regional rejuvenation by carrying out three essential projects of building public health facilities, leisure

complexes and grain management facilities along with regional-industry factories in order to open up more comprehensively the new era of epochal development and comprehensive rejuvenation in all regions.

Attending the inauguration ceremonies of regional-industry factories in Songchon and Jaeryong Counties and the Sinpho City Offshore Farm, Kim Jong Un stated with pride that the erection of new entities in different regions of the country gave the people a sure understanding that the regions are undergoing a transformation and made it possible to secure the motive force to promote the regional development policy more scientifically and accurately on the basis of many-sided and rich experience. He clarified the matters of principle and important tasks for conducting in a revolutionary way the construction work in 2025 in implementing the regional development policy.

The 11th Plenary Meeting of the 8th Central Committee of the WPK discussed and decided the issue of formally including the construction of three essential projects in parallel with that of regional-industry factories in the Party's new regional development policy.

The inauguration of regional-industry factories in Songchon County and the Sinpho City Offshore Farm decorated the end of the year 2024 with significance and the inauguration of regional-industry factories in different regions that opened up a spectacular prelude to 2025 made the entire country seethe with jubilee and excitement.

Seeing the mass-produced quality consumer goods bearing the trademarks of their own regions, the people in the regions with weak economic basis including Songchon, Kyongsong, Hamju, Jaeryong and Jangphung Counties are deeply excited with the passionate affection of

the motherly party who provided them with the future of happiness, thriving with self-reliance and self-sufficiency, and civilized material and cultural life conditions without envying the urban life.

The struggle in 2024 that opened up the full-scale phase of implementation of the WPK's long-cherished desire was a great drive for creation to be remarkably recorded in history that hardened the conviction that all the undertakings decided and unfolded by Kim Jong Un are turned into excellent entities all the time and imbued all the people with boundless conviction and optimism that a great historic cause of comprehensive development can be achieved with sure when they give full play to the mental strength of self-supporting by single-mindedly remaining faithful to the plans and leadership of the Party.

The groundbreaking ceremony of hospital and leisure complex in Kangdong County held in presence of Kim Jong Un served as a historic occasion that declared a meaningful start of grand construction struggle in 2025 to accelerate the building of a civilized and prosperous country faster and more vigorously by bringing about substantial and new qualitative changes in the regions.

With the first entities of regional rejuvenation, the conviction in truthfulness and bright future of their cause has become all-people thoughts and feelings and, in this course, loud sounds of detonation signaling the start of construction in the new year 2025 were heard in succession in the DPRK and the huge undertakings aimed at broader and practical rejuvenation of regions are actively promoted in all directions.

Essential Nature of Communist Society and Basic Requirements for Building Communism

Original elucidation of the essential nature of communist society and basic requirements for building communism holds an important position in the theory on building socialism and communism clarified by the revolutionary ideology of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

Essential nature of the communist society and the basic requirements for building communism could be elucidated in a scientific manner by the great Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism and further concretized and developed in depth, formulated and systematized freshly and clearly by the revolutionary ideology of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology clearly explains the essential nature of the communist society.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un said.

"The powerful country, the communist society, we aspire to create is a society in which all the people eat rice with meat soup and live in comfort, harmony and good health, as the great Comrade Kim Il Sung desired."

The communist society is, in a word, a society in which the popular masses' independence is realized to the full. In other words, it is a society in which all the people live a comfortable and harmonious life in good health and without any worries about food, clothing and housing, a genuine people-oriented society in which the communist traits and virtues of all the people sharing pleasure and sorrow while

helping and leading one another are displayed to the full.

The communist society is a society in which all members of society are prepared as the persons of a communist type possessed of revolutionary ideas and spirit, high creativity and cultural level.

The communist society is also a society in which all the people live affluent and cultured life while making selfless dedication to society and collective.

The communist society is also a society in which collective social relations, the communist traits and virtues of *One for all and all for one* are established comprehensively.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology indicates the basic requirements for building communism on a scientific basis.

One of them is to communize the people's ideas, spirit and traits so as to ensure that the communist traits and virtues of valuing the others more than oneself and the state affairs more than household affairs becomes an unshakable national trait.

Another of them is to further develop and perfect the state social system so as to apply collectivism in the overall social life comprehensively.

The other of them is to further build up and develop national defence capabilities and economic strength so as to defend dignity, rights and interests of the people and provide them with affluent and cultured life.

The idea and theory on building communism is the scientific and revolutionary practical programme that enables the entire people to embrace communism as their vital need, cherish it as their ideal, aspiration and faith and give full play to their revolutionary character, courage and patriotic enthusiasm in the efforts for building

communism.

Strategic Line for Building Socialism and Communism

Theory on the strategic line for building socialism and communism holds an important place in the revolutionary theory clarified by the revolutionary ideology of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un said.

"We should hold fast to the general line of socialist construction and the spirit of self-development first as the permanent strategic line for achieving great victory in the building of a powerful socialist country, and accomplish the historic cause of modelling the whole society on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism."

Destiny and prospect of the cause of socialism and communism are guaranteed by a scientific and revolutionary line that indicates the path, principles and policies capable of attaining huge fighting goals with confidence.

The great Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism put it forward as the general line of building socialism and communism to press ahead with the three revolutions--ideological, technical and cultural--while strengthening the people's government.

By developing in depth the great Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism, Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology sets it as the strategic line for building socialism and communism to firmly adhere to the general line of pressing ahead with the three revolutions while strengthening the people's government and enhancing its function and role and apply the spirit of self-development first.

The strategic line for building socialism and communism clarified

by Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology is to strengthen the people's government and enhance its function and role.

As a political organization that administers overall social life in a unified way, the people's government executes lines and policies of a socialist ruling party, represents the rights of the masses of the people to independence, organizes their creative abilities, takes care of their lives and protects their independent and creative life.

Only when the people's government is strengthened and its function and role are enhanced steadily, can the popular masses' independent rights and creative activity be fully ensured, socialist system firmly defended and the building of socialism and communism powerfully pushed forward by giving fullest play to the might of collectivism.

The strategic line for building socialism and communism clarified by Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology is also to press ahead with the three revolutions.

The line of three revolutions is the strategic line put forward by President Kim Il Sung and to which the Workers' Party of Korea adheres consistently in building socialism and communism.

Socialism and communism can be built only when they attain targets of the three revolutions--uniting the entire people with the Party's ideology, laying scientific and technical foundations guaranteeing the self-supporting and sustainable development of the economy, making all the people well versed in science and technology and eliminating all sorts of cultural backwardness.

Juche Korea's great changes which remoulded the people and transformed nature and society in the shortest period of history were achieved by the three revolutions and all the miracles performed to

startle the world in the DPRK are none other than the victory in the line of three revolutions.

If the DPRK failed to hold high the banner of the three revolutions from the first day of its founding, the birth of heroic people who carve out their destiny with their own efforts, the amazing development of the DPRK towered as a powerful country on the debris and socialist Korea that remains unchanged even in the world political tempest and unprecedented challenges were unthinkable.

The strategic line for building socialism and communism clarified by Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology is also to uphold the spirit of self-development first.

The spirit of self-development first is a strategic line to be held fast to consistently by a socialist ruling party and the state in the whole course of building socialism and communism.

Self-development is, in a word, the strength that makes oneself strong.

In other words, it is the totality of political and military, economic and technological strength of a state capable of securing dignity and wellbeing, prosperity and happiness of the country and the people not by relying on the others but on one's own.

Strong spiritual strength with which to live by one's own efforts without depending on anyone else, and the scientific and technological strength with which to work miracles, however unfavourable the conditions and environment—these are the qualities that are essential for self-development.

The spirit of self-development first is a revolutionary spirit of strengthening one's internal force and opening up one's path by relying on strength, technology and resources of one's own.

The ideological and mental basis of the spirit of self-development first is the revolutionary ideas of President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il that a country must carry out the revolution on its own, and the form of struggle for applying it is self-reliance and fortitude.

In order to apply the spirit of self-development first, it is essential to hold the training all the people into the champions of self-reliance and self-development, pioneers of self-reliance as the primary issue and establish the habit of solving all problems arising in building socialism and communism by relying on their strength, technology and resources.

The strategic line for building socialism and communism clarified by Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology is the scientific and revolutionary one based on the Juche idea and the historical experiences of the Korean revolution.

Basic Political Mode of Socialism

Basic political mode of socialism is a mode of politics that ensures existence and development of a socialist society and regulates action of other modes of politics of socialism.

Basic political mode of socialism was elucidated for the first time by the Juche idea and freshly formulated and systematized by the revolutionary ideology of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology developed in depth the idea and theory on the political mode of socialism clarified by Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism as required by the revolutionary practice in the new era, thus elucidating that the politics based on the people-first principle is the basic political mode of socialism.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un said.

"True to the ennobling intentions of the great President and General who implemented for the first time in history the politics of prioritizing, respecting and loving the people and devoted their all throughout their lives to the good of the people, our Party will, in the future, too, strive to add glory to the sacred history of the people-first principle."

The politics based on the people-first principle is, in essence, the mode of politics that absolutely defends dignity, rights and interests of the popular masses, solves all problems by thoroughly relying on them and serves them.

The politics based on the people-first principle serves as the basic political mode of socialism as it is the mode of politics which takes into account and fully materializes requirements of the political modes of socialism and the one to be consistently adhered to in the whole period of accomplishing the cause of socialism.

The politics based on the people-first principle is the mode of politics that takes into account and thoroughly materializes the requirements of such political modes of socialism as independence-based politics, democratic politics and benevolent politics.

Independence-based politics is the politics that adheres to the national independence and sovereignty of one's people, defends their interests and relies on their strength. The basic requirements of the independence-based politics are to establish a genuine government of the people, firmly build up one's political forces, formulate and enforce lines and policies conforming with the needs and interests of one's country and people on the basis of one's guiding ideology and exercise

complete sovereignty and equal rights in foreign relations.

The politics based on the people-first principle becomes the basic political mode of socialism as it enables to safeguard the wellbeing of the country and people and achieve prosperity and development of the country on the strength of self-sufficiency and self-reliance, thus embodying the requirements of the independence-based politics on the highest phase.

The politics based on the people-first principle is the mode of politics that correctly embodies and materializes the requirements of democratic politics.

Socialist democracy is the politics that enables the popular masses to hold position of masters of the state and society and play the role as such, the politics that expresses their will comprehensively. The basic requirements of socialist democracy are to give the masses of the people genuine political freedom and rights, fully realize the independence of an individual and the collective all together and enable all the people to lead an independent and creative life to their hearts' content while helping and leading with one another as equal members of society.

The politics based on the people-first principle enables to put forward the popular masses as masters and performers of politics, give them genuine freedom and rights, worthwhile and happy life and bring their ideals and desires into reality by relying on them and thus thoroughly embody the requirements of democratic politics. This is the reason why the politics based on the people-first principle becomes the basic political mode of socialism.

Benevolent politics is a mode of politics that enables to bear the responsibility for and lead the people's destiny with love and trust. The

basic requirements of benevolent politics are to build a socialist ruling party as a motherly party, make the officials become faithful servant of the people and enable the masses of the people to lead dignified and happy life to their hearts' content by thoroughly overcoming abuse of power, bureaucratism, illegality and corruption.

The politics based on the people-first principle enables to take responsible care of the people's destiny and life and even future of all generations to come with selfless devotion and thus embody the requirements of benevolent politics on the highest phase, and this is the reason why the politics becomes the basic political mode of socialism.

The politics based on the people-first principle is a mode of politics to be held fast to consistently in the whole period of accomplishing the cause of socialism.

The basic political mode of socialism is mode of politics that defends original features of socialism and firmly guarantees its development.

Socialism is a society based on collectivism and victory or defeat in the socialist construction depends on how they maintain and retain the original features and advantages of socialism.

The politics based on the people-first principle enables to firmly ensure the monolithic leadership of the Party and the unified guidance of the state, thoroughly maintain the principle of collectivism in all fields of social life, defend the health and welfare of the people and constantly expand and strengthen the popular policies so as to make all the people lead equal and stable life, thus firmly adhering to the collectivist original features of socialism.

The more thoroughly the politics based on the people-first principle is materialized, the more firmly collectivist character and original

features of socialist society will be maintained and the more clearly its essential advantages demonstrated.

The main driving force in developing the socialist society is high revolutionary zeal and creative activity of the people who are imbued with consciousness of independence and rallied firmly behind the Party and the leader.

The politics based on the people-first principle enables to firmly realize a monolithic ideology, the organizational cohesion, moral and obligatory unity of the Party and the revolutionary ranks and lead the revolution and construction to victory on the strength of single-hearted unity and a harmonious whole.

By consistently holding fast to the ideology-first principle in the Party and state activities, the politics based on the people-first principle enables to give absolute precedence to ideological work, political work in all the work to inspire and boost the masses' mental strength and creativity, maintain the tradition of loyalty and patriotism and briskly organize and unfold socialist patriotic movement, a revolutionary mass movement, so as to powerfully hasten the state prosperity and development by dint of the great strength of loyalty and patriotism.

The politics based on the people-first principle enables to build up actively the motive force of the state development in conformity with the lawful requirement of the development of socialist society and the requirements of revolutionary practice in the new era and give fullest play to its might so as to vigorously advance the cause of socialism. Herein lies absolute advantages and ever-victorious might of the politics based on the people-first principle.

The politics based on the people-first principle is, in name and reality, the WPK's basic political mode of socialism that was born

thanks to the will of the WPK to make devoted service for the people's wellbeing, who intends to hasten the bright future of communism by remaining boundlessly faithful to the people and relying on their strength true to President Kim Il Sung's and Chairman Kim Jong Il's noble intention of giving importance to, respecting, and loving the people.

Historic Position of Revolutionary Ideology of Great Comrade Kim Jong Un

The revolutionary ideology of the great Comrade Kim Jong Un is the one and only guiding ideology of the Workers' Party of Korea and the revolution in the new era for carrying forward and accomplishing the revolutionary cause of Juche, and the immortal militant banner leading the era of independence.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un said.

"The revolutionary cause of Juche has been able to attain a new, historic turning point and is now advancing dynamically, thanks to being inherited and led by our Party."

The historic position of Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology is that it is the one and only guiding ideology of the Workers' Party of Korea and the Korean revolution in the new era to accomplish the revolutionary cause of Juche pioneered on Mt Paektu, holding high the banner of modelling the whole society on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology is the guiding ideology that leads the Juche-oriented socialist cause to victory.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideas including the idea on the political ideal and the mode of politics based on the people-first

principle, the idea on mode of existence and activity of the Party and the state, the ideas on new construction policy, agricultural policy and childcare policy, the idea on the officials' working methods and style of work and their mental and moral traits, etc. give comprehensive and scientific explanations to all theoretical and practical problems arising in firmly adhering to the essential features of the Juche-oriented socialism and adding luster to its superiority and vitality on the highest phase.

Theories and contents elucidated by Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology including the idea on firmly carrying forward and applying the revolutionary tradition of Paektu, philosophy of trust, ideology-first principle clarify policies and guiding principles for victoriously advancing the DPRK-style socialist cause by thoroughly consolidating a harmonious whole, the single-hearted unity of the Party and the masses, that is the national strength peculiar to the DPRK and the absolute weaponry of Juche Korea.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology is the guiding ideology that also guarantees firmly the eternal prosperity of the DPRK and everlasting happiness of its people.

Five-point line of building the Party in the new era is the far-sighted Party-building programme capable of firmly guaranteeing everlasting future of the WPK and the Korean revolution by developing the WPK into a party that is politically mature, organizationally solid, ideologically pure, strictly disciplined and sound in style. It shows the way for the WPK to invariably maintain its character and essential features and enhance its leadership ability and fighting efficiency.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideas including the line of simultaneously carrying on the economic construction and the

upbuilding of the nuclear forces and the policy of the nation's nuclear forces provided practical guarantee that enables the people and oncoming generations to enjoy happiness and comfort in a dignified and powerful country without knowing a tremendous catastrophe of war forever.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideas including the idea on Paektusan spirit, the original idea of training reserve revolutionaries and the idea on attaching importance to young people elucidate immortal guideline for succession to the revolutionary cause, thus showing the way capable of advancing the Korean revolution to victory through generations.

The historic position of Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology is also that it the imperishable militant banner that vigorously encourages the progressive people's struggle to destroy the imperialist reactionary forces' aggression and plunder, high-handedness and arbitrariness, defend sovereignty and the right to existence and development of countries and nations and establish the just and equal international order.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology is the guiding banner which clearly indicates the path and policies for remarkably expanding and strengthening the anti-imperialist independent forces, the motive force of the cause of global independence.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideas include the idea of adhering to the fundamental ideal and character of non-aligned movement, an anti-war, peace-loving force and strengthening unity and cooperation between its member states and the idea of making the parties, organizations and progressive countries who champion independence unite and cooperate under the banner of anti-imperialism and

independence. They give comprehensive explanations to the principled issues to be adhered to in expanding and strengthening the anti-imperialist independent forces, thus comprehensively clarifying the path and policies to firmly secure the decisive predominance of the anti-imperialist independent forces, the motive force of the cause of global independence.

Kim Jong Un's revolutionary ideology is also the militant banner which vigorously encourages the progressive people's struggle for global independence by remarkably enhancing the international position and influence of the DPRK, a citadel of independence and justice, a strong fortress of socialism.

New line of simultaneously carrying on the economic construction and the upbuilding of the nuclear forces, legalization of the policy of the nation's nuclear forces, the idea of strengthening the nuclear force qualitatively and putting spurs to the developing of cutting-edge armed equipment, the idea of making powerful military strength irreversible, etc. clarify the path capable of putting an end to the US unilateral nuclear blackmail and reliably safeguarding peace and security on the Korean peninsula and in the world.

Kim Jong Un's ideas and policies including the idea on realizing international justice and the policy on enhancing national prestige and defending national interests are the guiding principles that enable the DPRK to dramatically change the dynamic relations between the DPRK and the US and raise its prestige and international position onto the highest level. They clearly explain the principles and ways for making the DPRK firmly hold the independent stand in the international arena and lead the progressive people's struggle to establish the just world order.

The WPK and the DPRK people will build a communist society, a long-cherished desire of mankind, ahead of others and the current of the times to destroy the imperialist reactionaries' aggression and plunder, high-handedness and arbitrariness, safeguard peace and security of the region and the world and realize the international justice will get more fierce as they have great ideology and leadership of great Kim Jong Un who is the most outstanding thinker and theoretician, distinguished statesman in modern times and the supreme incarnation of love for the people.

Political Meaning of April 25, Founding Day of Korean People's Revolutionary Army

In his speech made at the ceremony of launching a destroyer of the Navy of the Korean People's Army on April 25, 2025, the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un elucidated in a fresh way an important political meaning of April 25, 1932 when the Korean People's Revolutionary Army, the first revolutionary armed forces was founded in Korea.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un said.

"With the founding of the KPRA, our people had their own genuine army for the first time in their history, and this marked the beginning of the glorious history of the Korean revolution which would advance based on strength of arms."

In the speech, Kim Jong Un said that for the DPRK, April 25 is the starting point of a bloody armed struggle that began before the state power establishment and the Party founding and brought about all the momentous events, adding that this can be described as the birth of the

DPRK people's first-ever genuine armed forces, and at the same time a demonstration of the resolute stand of the Korean revolutionaries who were determined to fight with a clear purpose and consciousness and carve out their destiny independently.

Kim Jong Un said that this was a day when they solemnly expressed their decision to take the road of armed struggle as their volitional and responsible choice, and their will to regain national sovereignty and establish a democratic government with indomitable revolutionary faith and through a death-defying struggle. He declared with pride that such is present generation's renewed understanding of April 25, 1932, a day bearing a more important political meaning than February 8, 1948, the birthday of the DPRK's first revolutionary regular armed forces.

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DPRK Today

WPK's Policy of Giving Importance to Education

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un said.

"The state should prioritize education and increase investment in the sector systematically, and the whole society should give positive assistance to the sector."

The Workers' Party of Korea's policy of attaching importance to education regards education as the first and foremost state affair and attaches primary importance to its development. Top priority should be

given to education and the education for the rising generation should not be ceased nor neglected even for a moment, no matter how difficult it may be--this is the WPK's idea and policy of giving importance to education.

The WPK holds fast to the policy of giving importance to education consistently in building socialism.

After the liberation, President Kim Il Sung saw that a brush was inscribed between a hammer and a sickle when deciding the emblem of the Party, adding that this contains a meaning that worker and peasant, too, should arm with new knowledge and technologies in the future to make positive contribution to the building of a new country.

Under the wise leadership of President Kim Il Sung, Chairman Kim Jong Il and the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, the WPK considered the education as an important issue for prosperity of the country and happiness of the people and gave importance to and channeled primary efforts into education all the time in each period and stage, thus training the popular masses into genuine masters of the society.

The President saw that the issue of producing pencils was discussed as the first agenda item at the 1st Session of the Provisional People's Committee so as to declare before the world the WPK's policy of giving importance to education. He also saw that the people's university was built with the capital rice donated to the country by the peasants in the first period of building a new country which had only empty safe and books, so that sons and daughters of the working masses could learn to be the talents of the revolution.

In the days of fierce war, the President saw that the students were recalled from the front, the vehicles carrying war materials transported

textbooks and a factory college, the origin of talents training centre under the study-while-working system, was founded. Thanks to wise leadership of the President who was sure that future of the country and nation relies on education and opened up a new history of giving importance to education, the DPRK people could abolish illiteracy in a short span of time after liberation and the DPRK became the first country in the world that enforced the universal 11-year compulsory education.

The 1990s was the period of the Arduous March, the forced march when the existence itself was regarded as a miracle for the DPRK. However, the education continued at its schools and universities thanks to the leadership of Chairman Kim Jong Il who regarded education as an important matter deciding future of the nation and spared nothing for it. When he had a chance to have a talk with officials, the Chairman told them that, when the DPRK's most revolutionary ideas and the force of arms were combined with the latest science and technology, a great change would be brought about in the revolution and construction and the DPRK would be turned into an invincibly powerful country and a true people's paradise where everything is prosperous.

From the period of the Arduous March, the forced march in the 1990s till the last period of his life, the Chairman visited a large number of education units throughout the country and channeled primary efforts into education all the time, cherishing the unshakable creed that the long-range national plan would collapse if the training of talents was interrupted even a moment.

As a result, education continued in every part of the country and steady development could be made in the DPRK, even in such most difficult circumstances.

Today the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un holds higher the banner of giving importance to education and talents, true to the noble intention of President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il.

Kim Jong Un puts his heart into the development of education of the country, saying that other work we may leave unfinished, for it can be taken up and furthered by the succeeding generation, but lack of proper training in the younger generation cannot be amended by anyone.

Kim Jong Un said that modernization of education sector and the issue of improving quality of education are the most important state affairs and weighty and strategic ones related to the future of the country, and therefore, it is imperative to pay attention even to the trifling matter related to education. He also said that it is the requirement of the Party and the revolution to establish the atmosphere of giving top priority of the state to the education sector so as to give rise to the unprecedented hot wind of giving importance to education throughout the country.

At present, the WPK strives to raise the education level of the country onto the most developed level in the shortest period by carrying out the great revolution in education, thus training all the students into revolutionary talents shouldering the future of the country.

The talents wanted by the WPK are the revolutionary ones who work for the building of socialism with loyalty to the Party, the revolution, the country and the people and the creation-oriented talents who are possessed of profound and versatile special knowledge and high inquiry and application ability.

In order to train such talents, the WPK set forth at the 11th Plenary Meeting of the 8th Central Committee of the WPK held in December

2024 the tasks to put the educational foundations of the country onto a new high phase in the shortest possible period through the investment of the national efforts.

It is the WPK's noble intention that the state should definitely take the direction of supplying school things, fittings, supplies and equipment and providing the educators and students with the best working and studying conditions on the full responsibility of the state.

The plenary meeting stressed the need to push forward the modernization of schools, which claims a lion's share in strengthening the educational foundations, as a state undertaking, and set an ambitious goal to renovate all schools across the country within the next decade and push it forward persistently.

The plenary meeting advanced the tasks for making the educational sector fully discharge its purpose and mission, like steadily raising the intellectual level of all students by improving the quality of basic education at the general education sector, furthering the qualifications of educators to shore up the overall educational sector, reducing the difference between the town and country in the education level, and establishing a national educational aid system for persons with disabilities.

Today's amazing realities, in which the DPRK constantly achieves valuable successes associated with the soul and feelings of independence and self-respect while continuously making rapid progress towards the grand goal of building a powerful socialist country, clearly prove viability of the WPK's policy of giving importance to education.

Hospitals, Leisure Complexes and Grain Management Facilities Will Be Built in All Cities and Counties of Country

The Workers' Party of Korea regards it as the supreme principle of the Party activity and the most important revolutionary task to steadily improve the people's living and puts it into practice energetically. In order to develop the cities and counties, the regional bases, in substantial, material and planned ways, the WPK advanced the Regional Development 20×10 Policy of building light industrial factories in the regions and vigorously pushes ahead with its implementation.

Anyone who is born in the DPRK should lead an abundant and civilized life under the socialist policy of the state, whether they live in the capital city or regions, in towns or mountain villages, and it is the WPK's steadfast will to see to it that they do so without fail.

The WPK who never rests content with doing things for the people but does as much as it can for the good of the people decided to additionally build public health facilities, leisure complexes and grain management facilities in the cities and counties across the country, considering that the construction of some regional-industry factories in each city and county is not enough to completely eliminate the centuries-old backwardness remaining in local areas and put them on a sustainable development track. It is the WPK's firm stand that 3 projects should be built in addition without fail in order to make the regional people enjoy substantial fruitions, the remarkable changes as much as they can.

That's why the WPK throws energy into gigantic creative struggle

for regional rejuvenation unprecedented since the founding of the Party and the DPRK. The WPK took a special measure of deciding at the 11th Plenary Meeting of the 8th WPK Central Committee to include the construction of advanced public health facilities, scientific, educational and leisure facilities and grain management facilities which is more essential requirement in accelerating regional rejuvenation, and clarified practical measures for its implementation.

The new hospitals to be built in cities and counties will be divided into four categories according to the population of each region. In 2025 hospitals will be built in Kangdong County, Ryonggang County and Kusong City, one in each region and all these three of different sizes, on a trial basis. In 2025 these hospitals will be built as model facilities and experience be accumulated in doing so. Then, it is planned to set up hospitals in 20 cities and counties simultaneously, one in each region, on annual basis from 2026.

If the DPRK builds such leisure complex never previously seen in the history of regional construction, which is equipped not only with library but a multifunctional hall where local residents can see films and enjoy diverse cultural and emotional life, shop and banking facilities, it will bring about practical leap forward and changes in the realms of ideological consciousness and cultural life of the regional people and eliminate the differences between the capital city and regions, cultural difference between urban areas and rural ones.

The grain management facilities, commonly called different facilities of processing and storing grains, will be built not with a passive attitude of repairing already-existing facilities but newly erected under the direct charge of the state and thus grains can be stored and managed without any waste and the people be provided with

quality food.

When the advanced hospitals, leisure complexes and grain management facilities are built along with the regional-industry factories in all cities and counties across the country, all the regions will have not only foundations for light industry but environment for sustainable development based on modern civilization and technology so as to provide the people with more improved lives, and a big progress be made in implementing the programme for comprehensive state development with advance in science, education and public health as a core motive force.

Of course, it is not easy to build modern hospitals, leisure complexes and grain management facilities in all cities and counties across the country. For example, construction of a hospital requires much labour, high building technique, high-price materials and huge fund as compared with that of a dwelling house or an industrial building.

However, the WPK saw that the model facilities are built in 2025 on a demonstrative basis and experience is accumulated in order to hasten prosperity and development of the country and improvement of people's wellbeing faster and more certainly.

Groundbreaking ceremony of a hospital and leisure complex in Kangdong County for Regional Development 20×10 Policy whose construction will be powerfully propelled opening up a new realm and stage of overall development was held with splendour in Pyongyang, capital of the DPRK, on February 6.

Kim Jong Un attended the ceremony and made a significant speech in celebration of the ceremony.

Referring to the urgency of improving regional people's cultural

living environment in fundamentally and permanently removing the urban-rural gaps, Kim Jong Un said it is the ideal result of the regional development policy to put the whole country on an even cultural level.

Building modern public health facilities and multifunctional bases for cultural activities in cities and counties is a crucial and most pressing task that is of great strategic significance and which brooks no delay in accelerating the simultaneous and balanced development of all fields and all regions and bringing forward the complete victory of socialism, he said, affirming that the eternal prosperity of the regions precisely means the permanent future of the state and Korean-style socialism.

Following the groundbreaking ceremony of a hospital and leisure complex in Kangdong County, groundbreaking ceremonies of hospitals were held in Kusong City and Ryonggang County, groundbreaking ceremonies of leisure complexes in Jongphyong County and Gaephung District and groundbreaking ceremony of grain management facilities in Hwangju County and thus the grand construction struggle in 2025 launched to implement the regional development policy in the new era without fail.

Kim Jong Un gave field guidance to a hospital and leisure complex under construction in Kangdong County on June 2, 2025, which were being built as the new assets for prosperity and model entities of civilization and rejuvenation.

Kim Jong Un learnt in detail about the construction. Saying that the work of building modern public health facilities in cities and counties across the country is a great revolution for developing the public health, which has lagged behind other sectors, to surpass them in ten years, he stressed that the spirit of serving the people and the

attitude to them should be examined once again in the course of successfully carrying out this innovative plan with redoubled efforts. He reaffirmed his determination and will to build all city and county hospitals into symbols of socialist public health, which fully embody the Party's plan for modernizing public health and its Juche-oriented idea on architectural beauty.

Kim Jong Un referred to the importance of responsibly building three hospitals of different scales including the one in Kangdong County being carried out this year as model ones for the overall development of public health of the country. Visiting the construction site of a leisure complex, he said that it is most important to firmly prepare construction workforce before anything else in carrying out the Party's policy on regional development, particularly stressing that all the construction regiments should have a vital stake in strengthening the ranks of skilled workers and push ahead with their training according to scientific goals and plans.

Following his visits to the construction sites of the hospital and leisure complex in Kangdong County, Kim Jong Un gave field guidance on June 9, 2025 to construction site of Kusong City Hospital, one of the hospitals which are under construction on a demonstration basis in the year 2025. He said that the gigantic struggle for the implementation of the Party's regional development policy should be a revolution to fundamentally and ultimately put an end to the centuries-old backwardness and laggardness of the regional areas and, at the same time, a process of transforming the old customs, outdated culture and obsolete technology that remain in the construction sector in line with the new era and a historic process of training all the builders to be creators of new culture and new civilization and genuine

socialist builders. Repeatedly stressing the importance of strengthening the workforce, he advanced the major tasks arising in doing so.

Special measures taken by the great Party Central Committee for the good of the people, that is, the construction of advanced hospitals, leisure complexes and grain management facilities are the manifestation of Kim Jong Un's devoted service for the people's wellbeing and a great cause of history whose brilliant implementation is firmly guaranteed by his outstanding leadership ability and undying executive ability.

The WPK is an invincible party with noble sense of responsibility and undying executive ability, who has done what it has once determined and keeps promise made with the people without fail.

Thanks to noble aspiration of the WPK who is to bring the people's dreams and ideals into reality in the shortest period and on the highest level, and to the people's ardent aspiration and indomitable struggle to support higher the Party of the people, the country of the people and the world of the people, the historical cause of regional rejuvenation will be accomplished with sure.

450-hectare Greenhouse Farm Will Be Built

A groundbreaking ceremony of the largest-ever greenhouse farm and vegetable science research centre took place with splendour in the DPRK on February 10, 2025.

Attending the ceremony, the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un made a rallying speech. He said that what they will build is a large-scale greenhouse farm, and yet what surpass it by far is the prestige of their dignified state, a beautiful life of their beloved people

and a lofty idea they are going to achieve. He appealed to them to advance foward for the eternal prosperity of the motherland.

According to Kim Jong Un's plan and intention, not only differnet types of vegetable greenhouses, vegetable processing factory and storage but also a vegetable science research centre, trial cultivation greenhouse, hundreds of flats, hostels and neighbourhood-serving amenities will be built simultaneously there in that area vaster than that of all the large-scale greenhouse farms built in recent years put together.

If the largest-ever greenhouse farm which will be put on a scientific and IT footing is built with the modern houses standing in rows on the shore of the Amnok River as the background, this island area will enjoy fame as a new model of regional development with its own strong potentials of development, and it will make big contribution to the improvement of the people's living.

Development Prospect of Offshore Farming in DPRK

Offshore farming, as a major field of modern marine industry, is a conscious fishery activity to set up different cultivation facilities in favourable coastal waters, positively create environment for cultivating and breeding marine animals and plants, and increase the volume of production in the area of limited scope.

In the DPRK offshore farming is the one with sure prospect of development that is capable of remarkably increasing production of seafood by making good use of its favourable marine and geographical condition while overcoming seasonal limitations of marine fishery.

The East and the West Seas of Korea have rich conditions

favourable to offshore farming.

The East Sea of Korea has favourable conditions in different aspects including quality, depth and temperature of the water.

Though it has an even shoreline and a few islands, it has many bays including the East Korean Bay so as to provide comparatively favourble conditions to offshore farming. In particular, overall coastal waters are clear, the flow of water is good and submarine topography in the vicinity of seashore is comparatively deep so that farms can be built in the neighbourhood. And big and small rivers and streams including the Tuman River flow into the sea to provide good conditions with high contents of nutritive salts.

And the difference in water temperatures between the south and north is big as the sea is laid long from south to north. It is calm all times of the year as a result of influence of the Pacific high atmospheric pressure in summer. The tidal range in the coast is very narrow and there is no big change in saltiness. It is influenced by a warm current and a cold current and thus it is possible to choose different breeding animals and plants.

With its own peculiar features, the West Sea of Korea, too, has favourable conditions for offshore farming.

As it is the sea with low submarine topography, the depth of water is shallow from the coast to a certain distance towards the sea and the overall submarine area is a continental shelf and thus it is very favourable to breeding laver as well as tangleweed and seaweed. The bottom material condition is good as a large quantity of sediments from big rivers in the region surrounding the sea flow into the sea and the main marine current is warm one. Accordingly, the animals and plants that can be cultivated in high water temperature can be chosen.

The West Sea of Korea is shallow and its tidal range is wide owing to the complicated geographical condition. So, periodical changes in the water temperature, saltiness and distribution of food organism provide another favourable condition to offshore farming. Saltiness of the sea is lower than that of the East Sea of Korea and there are many types of plankton in the sea. Accordingly, such animals as clams, short neck clams, razor shells and ark shells and the plants including seaweed, laver and tangleweed, can be cultivated in the sea.

Offshore farming in the DPRK produces big economic effectiveness.

Generally, profit from offshore farming is 5-10 times greater than investment.

In case four working forces manage 1 hectare of scallop farm, the total output is two times greater than the investment annually, and in case 2 cultivators manage 1 hectare of tangleweed farm, a considerable profit can be secured every year.

Judging that 2 cultivators manage 1 hectare of mussel farm and secure twice profit than investment every year, the economic effectiveness produced with a small number of work force is great.

The offshore faming in the DPRK to improve the people's life as soon as possible by making good use of the sea in keeping with the natural and geographical features of the country under the wise leadership of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, is making rapid progress and its prospect and the chance of success are sure.

What Kind of Movement Is Emulation Drive for Increased Production in DPRK?

It is a mass movement to bring about an increase in production on the basis of activeness and creative proposals, mutual assistance and comradely cooperation of the working masses.

It is a mode of struggle peculiar to the DPRK people and a powerful means to vigorously advance the socialist construction.

The emulation drive for increased production started with the campaign for Labour Heroes initiated by President Kim Il Sung in February 1946. The emulation drive for increased production that came into being with the rapid expansion of the campaign for Labour Heroes, the emulation drive in which individual innovation of workers and peasants was the first consideration, was developed into the national emulation drive for increased production, vigorous shock campaign for increased production among the workers and into the campaign for increased agricultural production among the peasants.

In the wartime period, many emulation drives for increased production including a frontline work-team movement and youth work-team movement for assisting the front were underway with abated vigour and, in the postwar reconstruction period, scope of the emulation drive for increased production was expanded into the one between sectors and enterprises and the emulation organization system readjusted. And the emulation drive for increased production was launched in close combination with the collective technical innovation drive. In the period of socialist construction, the emulation drive for

increased production developed into a socialist emulation drive, thus rendering big services to the revolution and construction.

The emulation drive for increased production aims to fulfill and overfulfill the national economic plan and make a ceaseless leap in production by giving full play to the workers' creative zeal and activeness.

Superiority of the emulation drive for increased production is that it enables to give fullest play to the people's loyalty to the Party, spirit of emulation to go ahead of the others, revolutionary zeal and activeness, and all sectors and units to make collective and joint innovation while creating a new record and norms.

Main content of the emulation drive for increased production is to improve production organization and labour organization and steadily increase labour productivity by exploring and tapping latent reserves and generalizing advanced technologies and good experiences.

It is a sacred development course of the DPRK striking the world people with wonder that it has advanced on the strength of the heroic struggle of the DPRK people who were always responsive to the WPK's call with the patriotic increased production, and reliably defending this tradition is a sure guarantee for adhering to and further developing the socialist system based on collectivism.

Songchon Hot Spring in DPRK

Songchon County, South Phyongan Province is a renowned source of tobacco in the DPRK, and it has long been famous for silk and medicinal chestnut. The county also has the Songchon Hot Spring, one of the well-known spas in the DPRK.

The hot spring serves as a good medical treatment factor as it promotes functional rehabilitation while improving blood circulation and metabolism, and activity of organisms with the pain-alleviating and antiphlogistic and calmative processes.

The Songchon Hot Spring locates in Onjong-*ri,* Songchon County.

Bicarbonate and sodium are major ions of the hot spring. It also includes radon, sulfur and the like. Temperature of the hot spring is 45.5℃ and pH is 8.6 and it springs out in a large amount a day.

Many people visit the Songchon Hot Spring every year as it is famous for its special virtue for nervous diseases, woman's diseases, aftereffects of operation, rheumatoid arthritis, etc.

In recent years, many special class disabled soldiers with pamplegia came to stand on the ground after receiving medical treatment there.

There are such medical treatment and prevention facilities as rehabilitation clinic, physical treatment clinic, corrective treatment clinic and so on.

Bathing in hot spring and drinking the hot spring water are the main in the medical treatment, and gymnocolon by mineral waters and function-cure are combined with them.

In the speech made at the inauguration ceremony of the regional-industry factories in Songchon County under Regional Development 20×10 Policy on December 20, 2024, the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un said that, while sustaining its peculiar features and tapping its potentialities, the county should make the most use of its traffic advantages to effectively develop and utilize such local resources for cultural tourism as the shores of the Piryu River and the Songchon Hot Spring.

At present, Songchon County takes practical measures to positively develop and utilize the Songchon Hot Spring as a resource for cultural

tourism.

Sports Tourist Attraction, Charm of Mt. Paektu Area

The Mt. Paektu area has sufficient conditions for developing it into a characteristic, combined and four-season mountainous tourist resort. The area, capable of meeting the people's cultural and emotional demand on the highest level and revitalizing international tourism, has another charm, that is, the sports tourist attraction.

Sports village was wonderfully built in Samjiyon City, and many people visit there to have winter sports activities. Tens of thousands of people have visited the village since the beginning of its operation in December 2024 and the number of visitors increases as days go by.

An official of the village said that, though it has huge and extensive ski tracks, they are not anxious about snow as the high-efficiency snow cannons and snow-hardening machines are always in standby and ready to run in case they have no snow. He continued with pride that conditions for skiing, skating and sleighing and other diverse winter sports activities and games are fully provided so that, once they have had such sports activities and games, visitors forget the passage of time and are unwilling to leave the village.

The first attraction in the sports tourism is skiing gliding bravely on the fine tracks.

Skiing that makes everyone young, bold, courageous and prompt is excellent but striking is the scenery at the ice hockey rink and the speed skating rink.

With the end of ice hockey players' training, spectators on the seats in tiers enter the ice rink to spend time with skating. One can see the

speed skate players training in the speed skating rink.

In addition, the people are in raptures when getting up Pegae Hill by cableway and seeing a bird's-eye view of Samjiyon City that was renewed as a model of cultured mountainous town, a new and innovative cultured town thanks to the wise leadership of the WPK. Tourism on the top of the hill gives the tourists a climax of delight and romance that is not as bad as the one they have when skiing, skating and sledging.

In general, it is told that air is very rare and dry as trees do not flourish in the environs of skiing ground on an alpine region of high elevation. However, scenery of the Pegaebong skiing ground is indescribably wonderful as the elevation of Pegae Hill where skiing ground is located is very suitable for skiing and the trees in its environs are thick and the air is fresh.

Not only the Pegae Hill area but the Phothae area, an undeveloped area in Samjiyon City, can be regarded as a suitable area for mountain tourism for sports and experience for its large amount of snowfall and natural, geographical, meteorological and climatic conditions.

In the future, a skiing ground and holiday camp will be built with Mt. Pukphothae as a centre and Samjiyon Airport remodeled and a tourist railway laid in the DPRK.

When the WPK's noble intention of effectively developing and making use of tourist resources in the city is translated into reality, the Mt. Paektu area, a pride of the Korean nation, will demonstrate its charm as a sports tourist attraction of the world.

Mt. Chilbo with Superb Scenic Beauties

Mt. Chilbo is one of the most noted mountains in the DPRK for its spectacular natural scenery which is harmonized with beauties of its grand and specific slopes and valleys, graceful and charmed forest and coastal scenery.

Uncommon are the superb view of Inner Chilbo which is decorated with high marvelous peaks, different kinds of trees and flowers and glorious tints of its autumn foliage, the spectacular scenery of Outer Chilbo that has valleys with shadow of thick trees, beautiful falls and pools of crystal-clear water and legends and old stories which can be heard in its every corner, and the wonderful pictures of Sea Chilbo in which waves of the East Sea of Korea become surfs to tide in and are broken into small silvery pieces by the rocks on the shore, and in which sharp-cut cliffs, pine trees growing on islets, flocks of sea gulls and a white sandy beach are harmonized with each other.

Mt. Chilbo has many historical remains with a long history and noted hot springs like the Hwangjin Hot Spring.

Over 800 species of the higher plants and hundreds species of vertebrate animals live in Mt. Chilbo and hundred and scores of medical plants including *songi* mushroom which is famous as a special product of Mt. Chilbo, and other plants which are of weighty scientific importance and animals are distributed in the mountain. The area of Mt. Chilbo which serves as an important storehouse of gene diversity was registered as World Biosphere Sanctuary.

“Korean Dressing Custom” Registered as World Intangible Cultural Heritage

The 19th Session of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of the UNESCO opened in Paraguay in December 2024 unanimously decided to register the Korean dressing custom, a superior cultural heritage of the Korean nation, as a typical intangible cultural heritage of humanity.

The custom reflecting the Korean people’s feelings, emotion and the ways of life holds a remarkable place among the superior cultural heritages created by the ancestors, and Korean clothes win the world fame for their unique forms and peculiar beauty.

Hence, 5 items, that is, Korean dressing custom along with folk song *Arirang*, *Kimchi*-making custom, *Ssirum* (Korean wrestling), Pyongyang cold noodle custom were registered as the typical intangible cultural heritages of humanity.

DPRK Seen By World

How Can We Understand Such Mysterious Reality?

In 2002 the Indonesian newspaper *Jakarta Post* carried an article. The article asked a question of how they can understand such mysterious reality in which the DPRK is not moved even by the world political upheavals but strongly stands pressure, high-handedness and arbitrariness of the only superpower. The article said…

Many people want to know the secrets.

One of the secrets that the world people are eager to know is a special relation between the leader and his people, that is, the harmonious whole. Original reality that cannot be found in other countries is unfolded in the DPRK. It is the DPRK people's noble view of morality to repay love and trust.

That's why the DPRK remains powerful and displays its dignity to the world as the most viable country in the international community.

When They Have Great Leader

Administrative manager of the Guinean Gikopress Group said…

The military parade held in celebration of the 75th founding anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea in presence of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un was so fascinating and excellent that I lost the count of time.

The DPRK, who had groaned under the colonial rule of the Japanese imperialists as it had no strength capable of defending itself, towered as a powerful country no one dares provoke. At present when one has to read big powers' faces if one's strength is weak, the DPRK holds the position of a military power which other countries cannot hold even though they are willing to do.

Through its realities, I keenly felt that a small country, like the DPRK, can be a great country and vigorously advance along the road of independence and the road to be a military power even under economic blockades and military threats imposed for scores of years if it has the great leader.

It Is DPRK's Good Fortune to Have Leader of People

In 2024 when it was broadcast that the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un inspected flood-hit areas in Sinuiju City and Uiju County of North Phyongan Province and guided the work for the rescue of inhabitants, the world media vied with one another to report the news and the world SNS was full of their visitors' impressions.

"I have never heard the story that the head of a state inspected such a dangerous place aboard a rubber boat. Probably, the people hold a big place in the heart of President Kim Jong Un of the State Affairs Commission." "Which president of the West has visited areas of disaster to acquaint himself with the loss caused by natural disaster and stability situation of flood victims?" "He is the first state leader in the world who guided the rescue operation on the spot. He is the spiritual mainstay of the people." "I came to understand why the DPRK people hold high their leader and follow him. The people are afraid of nothing in the world as they are under his love and benevolence." "He is the true head of state who regards the people's pains as his own. He is the true people's leader who finds himself among them at a vital moment." "Leader Kim Jong Un is the genuine people's leader who leads the country with aspiration and takes care of them with sincerity." "It is a good fortune for the DPRK to have the leader of the people."

News of Seminars

Seminar of Social Sciences Held

A seminar of social sciences to deeply grasp immortal exploits of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un who opened up the new era of regional development and regional changes was held in Pyongyang, the capital of the DPRK on February 11, 2025.

Present there were officials, lecturers and researchers in the sector of social sciences and education and the Party cadre-training organs.

Papers were made public at the seminar. The papers profoundly explained the immortal exploits of Kim Jong Un who put forward the improvement of the people's wellbeing and materialization of their ideals as the supreme principles of activities of the Party and the state and opened up the new era when the regions change and prosper with his outstanding ideas and seasoned leadership.

They proved that the regional development policy advanced by Kim Jong Un is the great practical programme that opened up the new history of regional rejuvenation by putting an end to the century-old backwardness of the regions.

They mentioned that all the regions will be equipped not only with the light industrial foundations but also the sustainable development environment relying on modern civilization and technology and, further, make big advance in fulfilling the programme of comprehensive state development with the progresses in science, education and public health as the core motive forces thanks to the wise leadership of the Party Central Committee.

They explained that the unusual changes unfolded in cities and

counties throughout the country are the valuable fruition born by Kim Jong Un's revolutionary leadership of devoted service for the people's wellbeing.

They stressed that the brilliant completion of the first-year tasks of the regional development policy is the encouraging success capable of pushing ahead with the great cause of regional rejuvenation with confidence, and the springboard of new struggle.

They said that the social scientists should fulfill their responsibility and duty in the sacred struggle to uphold Kim Jong Un's great idea on regional development and his leadership.

Latin American Regional Seminar on Juche Idea Held in Mexico

The Latin American regional seminar on the Juche idea on the theme of "Independence, World Peace and Social Justice" was held in Mexico City, the capital of Mexico on May 3 and 4, 2025.

Present at the seminar were director general, vice-director general, directors of the Latin American Institute of the Juche Idea, chiefs of the Juche idea study groups in the Latin American region including Peru, Colombia, Chile and Costa Rica, members of the delegation of the IIJI secretariat and the figures from political and public circles in Mexico.

Congratulatory messages sent by the Korean Association of Social Scientists, the Juche idea institutes in each region and the Juche idea study groups in many other countries were introduced following the opening address of the director general, and congratulatory speeches and debates were made there.

Speakers explained in detail the fact that the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un

formulated the Juche idea, authored by President Kim Il Sung and developed and enriched by Chairman Kim Jong Il, as Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism.

Kim Jong Un clearly indicated that the quintessence of Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism is the people-first principle and its core is devoted service for the people, they said.

Noting that Kim Jong Un, who enforces the politics for the people, vigorously pushes ahead with the socialist construction by relying on the powerful self-defence capabilities and the united strength of the people, they praised highly that the DPRK is a great country that wins successive victories in the anti-imperialist, anti-US struggle, firmly secures safety of the country and the people and adds brilliance to the era of independence.

They stressed that, for the Latin American and Caribbean regional countries, it is imperative to pioneer all fields including politics and the economy and build up their strength of self-respect along the path of independence indicated by the Juche idea and in keeping with the actual situation in their own countries, and that all the anti-imperialist independent forces should firmly unite to wage the joint struggle against the imperialist high-handedness and arbitrariness.

A letter to the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un was adopted at the seminar.